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ENCLOSURES (NO. TYPE)

REMARKS This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. Between 22 April and 11 May 1954, air activity was conducted at Werneuchen airfield only on the following 3 days: on 27 April, flights were made at night; on 9 May, landings were made twice by Li-2s which approached from the southeast and departed in the same direction; on 10 May, there was air activity by Po-2s, which took off, made short local flights, and landed again, and between 3 p.m. and 4 p.m., 3 Li-2s landed at the field.¹

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2. Between 22 April and 9 May, no incoming or outgoing shipments were observed at the field. On 10 May, a train shipment consisting of 9 boxcars and 15 flatcars went to Neubukow. On 11 May, a train of 22 boxcars, 2 converted boxcars and 8 flatcars arrived in Werneuchen; the shipment which had left Finsterwalde on 10 May, carried many Soviet dependents and baggage. The flatcars were loaded with 2 trucks, 2 two-axle trailers, each about 1.8 meters wide, 2.5 meters high and more than 3 meters long, and 3 trucks, probably repair shop trucks. A railroadman stated that, on 12 May, 1 lathe, 1 logie for work on aircraft engines, several engines, each about 80 cm long, and a large number of crates were stored on the ramp at the field. The crates had been unloaded from boxcars which were still observed at the ramp. On 12 May, a train of 6 boxcars and 9 flatcars, left Werneuchen for Brandis. The boxcars carried Soviet dependents and baggage and the flatcars were loaded with billeting equipment and trucks.

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During the morning of 12 May, several air force officers with their dependents left Werneuchen by rail and went to Brandis. Some of the officers had been seen in Werneuchen for a long period.

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3. some concrete slabs on the runway and taxiways at Werneuchen had cracks and the runway was no longer serviceable for Il-28s. Allegedly, there were plans to provide the runway with a new concrete cover.⁴

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



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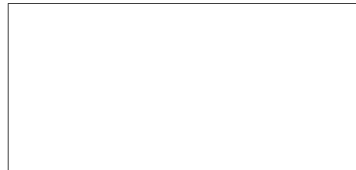
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1.  Comment. Po-2s have been observed at Werneuchen airfield for a long period. It is believed that these aircraft belong to a training detail of the fighter division in Finow. 25X1
2.  Comment. Probably an AA shipment leaving for firing practices with live ammunition. 25X1
3.  Comment. It appears that the shipments involve rear details of the former bomber corps.  25X1
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4.  Comment. Damage on the runway and taxiway at Werneuchen airfield is reported for the first time. The intended repair, namely a new concrete cover, would correspond with the type of repair at Oranienburg airfield. 25X1



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